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## VBT DDA going out for bids on fence demolition, installation of new fence

By Diane Madigan  
Independent Special Writer

The Belleville Road fence project in the Van Buren Township Downtown Development District is moving forward.

At its regular meeting Oct. 22, the DDA voted to approve services of a registered landscape architect and to advertise for bids for the removal of the old fence and replacement with a new fence.

The DDA also voted to be responsible for the care and maintenance of the new fence until the VBT DDA ceases to exist.

Bids are expected to be due and opened in November. This process is not to exceed \$6,000.

The old bent and poison-ivy-covered cyclone fence with barbed wire will be replaced with a six foot, wood-simulated, reinforced tongue and grooved vinyl fence the color of tree bark, called "Frontier Blend."

The bid will include removal of existing vegetation and tree pruning to allow for installation of the new fence in the same location as the existing chain link fence in the Wayne county right of way.

Jim Allen, landscape architect from McKenna and Associates presented a landscape plan for review. The plan now includes one property south of Harmony Lane and one property north of Sunrise along the Belle Harbor subdivision.

The plan describes an inventory of small elm trees and also noted that up to three quarters of the fence is covered in poison ivy.

The new fence is described as wind-resistant, able to withstand wind gusts up to 115 mph for seven seconds, and steady 70 mph winds.

So far, the DDA has spent \$4,778 on the project.

DDA Executive Director Susan Ireland said she sent letters to 11 residents whose property abuts the fence. She said she received calls thanking the DDA for

pursuing this project and heard from one resident that was opposed to the fence. She said, eventually, this resident, Charles Tackett, called DDA vice chairman Craig Atchinson and said he is behind the project 100%.

Ireland and Atchinson recently attended a Belle Harbor Home Owners Association meeting, with the group voting 15 yes and 4 no to replace the fence.

Ireland first proposed the project last November after receiving complaints from residents about the unsightly fence.

Bechtel, who was not at that meeting and missed several others at the beginning of 2013, voiced his opposition to the project and read a statement into the minutes.

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## Belleville voters choose Tindall, Fielder for council

City of Belleville voters on Tuesday re-elected Councilwoman Kim Tindall and elected former Mayor Thomas Fielder, both to four-year terms on city council.

Tindall earned 223 votes; Fielder, 218; and first-time candidate Bob Balderston, 128.

- Pct. 1: Tindall, 50; Fielder, 35; Balderston 32; total votes cast, 65.

- Pct. 2: Tindall 24; Fielder, 34; Balderston, 19; total votes cast, 42.

- Absentee: Tindall, 149; Fielder, 149; Balderston, 77; total votes cast, 211.

There are 3,159 registered voters and 318 of those voted, a 10% turnout.

Tindall thanked everyone who supported her: "I appreciate the faith they have placed in me and I will do my best not to disappoint." Fielder also thanked voters for their support, adding he's glad people still have confidence that he can do it.



Independent photo by Rosemary K. Oztman

On Saturday a few of those with booths at the busy Sumpter Senior Craft Show stopped for a picture. In front is Gloria Karver, who sold a variety of special, homemade jams. Standing, from left, are Alexis Perdue, who sold jewelry and flower arrangements; Karen Mickens, quilts; Lakisha Stevenson, Scentsy products; and Bonnie Rish, crocheted items. Proceeds from the event support the Sumpter Seniors' Christmas Party. The annual Van Buren Township Holiday Arts and Crafts Show is coming up on Saturday, Dec. 7, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. at the VBT gymnasium.



Photo courtesy Keystone Academy

Mix-It-Up-Day at Keystone Charter Academy in Sumpter Township was part of the Month of the Young Adolescent celebrated earlier. The special day encouraged students to mix their day up: sit with different people at lunch or recess and learn more about them. Students were to seek out different genders, social and/or ethnic groups. Above, the students do a round robin in asking questions of one another. From left are Chloe Harrison, Melissa Etzel, Shelby Ostrewich, Samantha Good, Symone Davis, Ashley Prentiss, Brooklyn Keele and Alyvia Rushlow.



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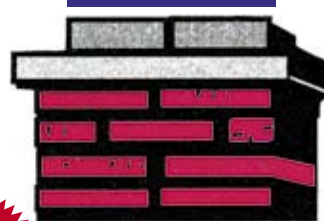
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## Detlor Insurance packs boxes for 'Operation Christmas Child'

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

For the last eight years, the staff at Detlor Insurance in Belleville has been taking part in a holiday project called "Operation Christmas Child."

The project sends shoebox presents to needy children around the world – and reminds them of the real meaning of Christmas.

Duane Detlor said throughout the year staff members at the insurance agency purchase, with their own resources, toothpaste when it's on sale, socks, T-shirts, underwear, tennis balls, calculators, games, and whatever else they can come up with – all in volume.

They know the Christmas box could be the only thing a child receives this Christian holiday, so they try to make it special.

Last week after packing 48 shoeboxes, the Detlor Insurance company paid to send them off to Operation Christmas Child so they could be distributed through churches and ministries. The donation is \$7 per box to help with the shipping and handling.

Each box gets a barcode, so the boxes can be followed online as they make their way to children around the globe.

"So often the news is negative," said Detlor, explaining why he agreed to tell his company's positive story that they have kept quiet until now.

"If we tell our story, others might be inspired to do something positive, too," he said.

Besides Duane, his sister DeAn Detlor and brother Kevin Detlor, others on the staff that take part in the program are Kelli Hamilton, Sue English, and Mary Bradley.

Operation Christmas Child, a project of Samaritan's Purse, has been in existence since 1993 and has delivered present boxes to 100 million disadvantaged children in 130 countries.

On Thursday, Nov. 7, on his 95<sup>th</sup> birthday, evangelist Billy Graham will present a special program on Fox News channels at 10 p.m. EST from his living room in North Carolina.

Graham will present "The Cross: One Last Message to America."



Independent photo by Bob Mytych  
Duane Detlor and Sue English show off some of the shoeboxes the staff at Detlor Insurance filled for the disadvantaged this year.

The message is suggested to be a part of a packing party for Operation Christmas Child. The message also will be carried on other TV stations.

## VBT fence

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Bechtel said this is not something the DDA should do. He said it goes against the charter and primarily benefits only 11 residents, adding everything the DDA does is for the infrastructure and for the beautification of the entire community.

He said he is terribly fearful of the legal ramifications when the DDA starts monkeying around these people's fences.

He said he had the exact same situation with a 350-home subdivision. Someone that was there before them put up a fence. He did everything they said. It was a two-year nightmare on his own property and they never stopped complaining.

"We open up a precedence for people in this community to say: 'You did that for them to beautify. Well, how about me?'"

He continued, "Wait until these people figure out that we are spending \$60,000 to \$70,000 for these 11 people's fences."

Chairman Jere Dolph asked for comments from other directors.

Ireland said a number of people in the community said the current fence looks terrible driving into the City of Belleville.

"This is supposed to be our Downtown Corridor and it looks like crap," she said. "All the trees are falling on the fence."

She said a tree had fallen on the fence and no one could tell who was responsible for removing it. She had Wade Trim engineers do a survey to determine where the fence is located.

way, which is in the DDA district. Ireland said the fence promotes an image.

Atchinson said, legally, it's up to the county, but the county is giving the DDA approval to do something on its property.

The DDA discussed the issue of eminent domain and people claiming to have maintained the property for a period of time.

Atchinson said if that should occur, the township could reassess the property and their taxes.

Ireland said she has told the residents many times, in all of her correspondence, that the fence is in the county right of way.

DDA member Mark Laginess said that Ireland said this doesn't violate the charter and the precedence that it's setting is of the beautification it is going to add in an important area. He asked if the DDA has legal documentation necessary in the event that someone does challenge them.

DDA member Carol Bird said it's an eyesore and replacement really has to be done.

VBT Supervisor Linda Combs, who sits on the DDA, said she thinks this will be a huge improvement to the look coming into the township or coming into the city, or when you're going out of the city, "You're still going past that."

Supervisor Combs said she thinks it will greatly improve the aesthetics, adding, "I understand, Mr. Bechtel, because it doesn't matter if you hang them with a new rope, you're still hanging them. People are going to complain, regardless. They are the

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## Scarecrow Contest Winners



Tom Fielder, left, of Belleville Parks and Recreation, presents the plaque for top scarecrow in the Adult Groups / Organizations to the Belleville Garden Club at Monday's City Council meeting.



Belleville Animal Hospital won top place in the Businesses category.



Earning the top award in the Families / Individuals category are Austin and Carson Conley.



Edgemont Elementary School earned the top award in the Youth Groups / Organizations category. First grade teacher Melinda Rafail stands in back.



# OPINIONS

## Editorial

### Van Buren Board wrestles with 'two dead subdivisions'

After a lengthy discussion on Monday at its work/study session, the VBT Board of Trustees agreed to discuss its "two dead subdivisions" again at another work/study session on Nov. 18 and have the issue on the Nov. 19 agenda for possible action.

At issue are two of the township's Planned Residential Developments that failed: Phase 4 of Country Walk, plus part of its Phase 3, and Victoria Park.

The lots that were not built as promised by the original developers for the two subdivisions were bundled and bought by SR Jacobson, who don't want to follow the PRDs they did not negotiate.

Jeff Gibbs and Bradley Scobel of SR Jacobson were at Monday's meeting and they explained why they didn't want to incur the expense of paving Martinsville Road and putting in bike paths that were part of the original Country Walk PRD. With Victoria Park, they disagree on a guaranty bond for water/sewer infrastructure, but otherwise are in agreement with VBT on that project.

The question is should the township drop requirements it once negotiated so it can get the subdivisions reactivated? And, are the longtime residents of Country Walk being shortchanged with alterations to the PRD that they have depended on? The new owners of the lots want to get building permits and start building. The township is deciding what to do. There has been a hint of a law suit. Tough times.

## EXTRA THINGS I KNOW

Although the official count isn't sealed and delivered yet, the current count of students in the Van Buren Public Schools is 5,224.

Pam Johnson, assistant to the superintendent, said the Official Count is determined 30 days after this year's Oct. 2 Student Count Day and after the count's audit is complete. So, the number will take a while to certify.

On Sept. 23 a preliminary student count of 5,221 was announced and now we have 3 more than that.

Last spring the count was 5,187 and fall a year ago was 5,314. The budget for 2013-14 was laid out expecting about 120 fewer students in the blended rate. The blended rate is determined by numbers at the fall and spring counts.

The state payment per student is \$7,372.

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It's really surprising that even though the Tom White disbarment, bankruptcy, and criminal charges have been in our paper for months, we still get calls every week from people who live out of town or have been out of town who need information on White.

On Thursday we received yet another call from someone who said White was his lawyer and botched up his case. He just found out about White's situation.

I just send the callers on to attorneys who are involved in the many cases against White, according to what the person's story is.

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John Delaney reports another scam in the area, this one concerning Secret Shopper. He said he's already contacted the FBI and

...By Rosemary K. Otzman



other officials.

John said this scam uses a copy of the legitimate Secret Shopper organization web site and leads on the job-seeker with a friendly questionnaire that you fill out to tell your interests and hobbies and list web sites.

Then, the person gets a sample shopping assignment to report on – without pay. You may be sent to Kmart to see if the restrooms are clean and if there are enough employees on hand. After your report on that, they send you to check out Western Union.

That's when the scam with the checks begins, where you can lose money. He said they send four different emails before getting to the real scam part.

John, who says he is a skeptic at heart, said people should Google the Secret Shopper to get a phone number to call to check on things, not use the phone number on the fake web site.

He said he and Pam Ruff, a real Secret Shopper, are contacting the legitimate Secret Shopper group to suggest they may want to change the looks of their website, since it has been copied.

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Why did Sumpter police call the Michigan State Police SWAT to help them with the shooter in a house on Elwell Road last week? Why didn't they call Western Wayne SWAT?

Well, it was explained to me that MSP does the service without charge and

Western Wayne charges \$5,000 to respond. Actually, you have to pay \$5,000 to be a member, which you have to be if they come and help you.

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Junior Parmelee of Sumpter called to tell us that he and his wife, aged 80 and 77, were disappointed that all the City of Belleville's public rest rooms are locked up for the winter.

He said they come to town to use the bank, the drug store, and the hardware store, and sometimes have to use the restrooms at Horizon Park or Victory Park. He said when you are old, sometimes the urge comes on in a hurry. He said restaurants don't like people to just come in to use their restrooms.

He called City Hall to complain that the restrooms were closed before freezing weather arrived and the woman he talked to said he would just have to go home and use his own restroom. He felt that was quite callous.

He said he and his wife have been talking about it and they have decided it is better to just drive on through Belleville and use the Walmart or Meijer locations for their shopping, since each has a bank, a drug store, hardware items – and public rest rooms.

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**Letters****Long live the Tea Party  
and Fox News**

To the Editor:

The recent sparring between two of your correspondents has me very concerned and worried. I would question both: Why such misguided anger? Why not set your sights on the true source of our country's problems? As former President Truman publicly stated, "The buck stops here" (the Presidency).

Please recall, five years ago a "community organizer" entered our American elective scene and immediately, proudly, proclaimed and warned we Americans of the upcoming radical, socialistic changes we are now witnessing in our everyday life! Sadly, the right questions were NOT asked BEFORE his agenda was initiated!

Personally, I am very suspicious of anyone who narrow-mindedly protests against the Tea Party and the Fox News. Millions of us proudly admit to being card-carrying members of the TEA PARTY – truly, a Red, White, and Blue, American organization whose membership is made up of ALL races, political parties and religions, and whose goal is to preserve our Constitution, the Bill of Rights, and AMERICA!

I'm thankful they are "up and running" again. They have overcome and survived the illegal, shadowy, unprecedented "targeting" initiated by our government's IRS! I'm witnessing proof daily of a President unaccountable and unworthy of leadership – totally alien to our Founders' creation of the United States Constitution. While waving my American Flag, I say – Long Live the Tea Party!

Another of your misguided targets – FOX NEWS – leads me to believe you are sadly, poorly informed of current events – a person who most likely chooses to be victimized by the far-left, liberal media.

In my opinion, Fox News, and the ABC Christian news are the most open-minded, fair and impartial reporting on all of television. They dig deep into issues, present both sides – pro and con – and offer fair and unbiased news.

Fox News is continually awarded a #1 rating in TV news casting. Long Live Fox News and ABC! Most of the major issues we face today are purposely obscured and "covered-up."

A voter who chooses to listen to or view only one side of an issue is a voter who is

doing a grave disservice to our country. How can anyone calling themselves American vote intelligently if and when they allow themselves to be subjected solely to the "controlled" far left media-journalists? All of us must search for the truth – NOW!

THIS IS AMERICA and while we still have our precious Freedom of Speech we owe each other an intelligent vote at the ballot box to validate those freedoms.

God Bless America!

Thank you,  
(Mrs.) Ruth E. Bleeker  
Belleville

**Democrats invited to  
meet 2014 candidates**

Hello, All Democrats:

Please save the date of Sunday, Nov. 17, 2013, as the Southwestern Wayne (County) Democratic Club will be hosting "Meet the 2014 Democratic Candidates."

The event will be held at the Wayne County Fair Grounds, located on Quirk Road in Van Buren Township, from 2 to 4 p.m.

The keynote speaker will be Mark Schauer, Democratic candidate for Michigan governor.

Refreshments will be served. Your attendance does not require a donation.

All DEMOCRATS are welcome. Hope to see you Sunday, Nov. 17, from 2 'til 4 in the afternoon.

Thanking you in advance for your support.

John Herman, Chair  
Southwestern Wayne Democratic Club

**Apology for words on  
Pres. Barack Obama**

To the Editor:

This note is to apologize to all that were offended when I said the President (the most powerful man in the free world) was responsible for withholding benefits to some military personnel.

Once again, I apologize -- and thanks for pointing out this President usually doesn't accept responsibility for anything.

Mickey Widener  
Van Buren Township

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--Mark Twain



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### Rotary holding annual wreath, garland sale

To the Editor:

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This year, you will have the option of early delivery. All orders placed by Nov. 19, can be picked up at the First United Methodist Church, 417 Charles St., Belleville, on Tuesday, Nov. 26, from 7:30-8 p.m.

After Nov. 19, orders can be placed until Dec. 3, for pick up at the church on Tuesday, Dec. 10, from 7:30 to 8 p.m.

Please submit your order with payment to Debra Green at the Belleville Area District Library, Glenn Silvenis at RE/MAX Crossroads III on Main Street, Joyce Rochowiak at Garden Fantasy on Haggerty Road, or any Rotarian.

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# Obituaries



Mark Edward Fell, Sr.

## MARK EDWARD FELL, SR.

(March 6, 1969 - November 3, 2013)

Mark Edward Fell, Sr., passed away at his home in Lafayette, IN on Sunday, November 3, 2013. Mark was born in Dearborn, MI, on March 6, 1969. He was the son of Margaret R. (Zander) Fell, of Prescott, MI and the late Clarence A. Fell, Sr. He was raised in Belleville, MI, graduating from Belleville High School in 1987. He had resided in Lafayette, IN since 2005.

Mark was employed by Davenport Brothers Union Company, STB Erectors, Local #25 in Belleville, MI.

While growing up in Belleville, Mark attended the St. Anthony Catholic Church. He was an avid fan of the Detroit Tigers baseball team and the Detroit Lions football team. He enjoyed spending time with his family and especially enjoyed coaching his son in his T-Ball league. Growing up, Mark enjoyed playing baseball and football.

On April 21, 2003, Mark married Heather L. Lowell in Las Vegas, NV. She survives.

Mark leaves behind his wife, Heather, of Lafayette; their four children, Chelsey L. Fell, Madison E. Fell, Mark Edward Fell, Jr. and Calli J. Fell; his mother, Margaret R. Fell, Prescott, MI; two brothers, Clarence A. (Monica) Fell, Jr., Ypsilanti, MI, and Wayne C. (Nicole) Fell, Belleville, MI; a sister, Dawn M. Fell, Grosse Pointe Farms, MI; three nephews, Nicholas, Trevor and Ashton Fell; seven nieces, Samantha, Amy, Lisa, Christy, Kayla, Jamie and Raven Fell.

Friends may call at the Maus Funeral Home, Attica, IN, on Thursday, Nov. 7, from 5 to 8:00 PM. A rosary will be recited at 8 PM followed by a funeral service with Father Clayton Thompson officiating.

Following his services in Indiana, Mark will be brought to Belleville, MI for services at David C. Brown Viewing Chapel, 500 E. Huron River Drive.

Visitation will be held 12-4 PM Saturday, November 9, 2013 with a time for sharing memories at 4 PM. Cremation rites will be

accorded. Memorial contributions may be made to the Mark Fell Family Fund. Envelopes will be available at the funeral home. Please sign Mark's guest book and share a memory for his family to cherish at [www.davidcbrownfh.com](http://www.davidcbrownfh.com).

## RUBY COOK

(January 7, 1928 - October 31, 2013)

Age 85, of Warren. Survived by 2 daughters, Brenda Clarke of Belleville and Wanda Belvin of Oxford, MS; 5 grandchildren; and a sister Lois Rogers of North Carolina. Service was Nov. 4 at Brown Temporary Viewing Chapel.

## PAULA JEANNE BURNETT

(January 11, 1961 - October 29, 2013)

Age 52, life-long Belleville-area resident. Survived by son Russell Burnett of Sumpter, sister Karen Lee Burnett of Belleville, half-brother Donald Burnett of Ypsilanti. Cremation rites accorded. Brown Funerals.

## VBT fence

(continued from page 3)

minority and I think, overall, it's good for the township. The DDA is trying to bring business and people into the township."

DDA member Mark Laginess asked if the DDA had anything in writing from the residents giving the DDA their blessing.

Ireland said the letters that went out to the residents were drafted by the township attorney.

"I'm in favor," Atchinson said.

"This is why we're here tonight. To discuss these factors," said Chairman Dolph. "There's rights, there's wrongs.

From all information gathered, legally the DDA has a right to make this move. As the chairperson, I'm in favor of the fence and believe the fence will enhance the township and enhance the City of Belleville."

Ireland said there will be a hefty supply of replacement parts. Photographs and videotape will be taken before there is any work done.

Wayne County required a responsibility statement from the DDA, stating the DDA will be responsible for maintenance.

That's when the 6-1 vote was taken on the long-term maintenance, with Bechtel voting no.

In other business at the Oct. 22 meeting, the DDA:

- Changed its next meeting date to 5:30 p.m., Monday, Nov. 18;

- Heard an update on the Belleville/Ecorse Road project that the DDA participated in

with the county, with the township funding the portion for the water-sewer project. The township portion was about \$800,000 less than original estimates and the road portion was about \$50,000 less. The DDA is just around what it committed to pay. Ireland said the bid was \$3.8 million for the concrete work, which did not include the landscaping. The DDA cost was roughly \$3.1 million. The total was estimated close to \$8 million; and

- Heard Ireland reply to a question about maintaining the grass on the county-owned areas in the Belleville/Ecorse area, that the township DPW goes out for bids for grass-cutting services and she has them include DDA property.

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Shelly and James

## Shelly Ann Brown, James Chudzinski married on Oct. 26

Shelly Ann Brown and James Michael Chudzinski, both of Van Buren Township, were married on Saturday, Oct. 26, at the David C. Brown Temporary Wedding Chapel in Belleville.

Shelly is the daughter of David C. and Martha A. Brown of Belleville. James is the son of Walter and Kitty Chudzinski of Van Buren Township.

Deacon Peter Cornell of Belleville performed the ceremony.

Attendants were Tina Buxton of Van Buren Township, Cherie Creger of Narrows, VA; Jacqueline Leich of Romulus; Zack and Alex Chudzinski of Lake Orion; and Seth Willick of Van Buren Township.

The bridal gown was an ivory, floor-length crepe with ruching at the bust, accented by lace shoulders and open back with ruching from the buttons. The bridegroom's tuxedo was traditional black with an ivory vest and bow tie.

The David C. Brown Temporary Wedding Chapel was transformed for the day and evening for the special ceremony. Garden Fantasy provided a beautiful floral arch and many flowers, including chrysanthemums. Tables were accented with pumpkin centerpieces and cinnamon-scented candles, made exclusively for the couple by Stoney Creek Soy Candle Co.

A Caribbean cruise honeymoon is being planned for the beginning of the year.

"The day was dedicated in Luke's honor and remembrance and he was smiling down on all of us this beautiful day," said attendant Tina Buxton, referring to the bride's five-year-old son Lucas, who died Sept. 25.

## Belleville approves 20% health care contribution for Civil Service retirees

By Rosemary K. Oztman  
Independent Editor

After about a half-hour, closed-door session on Monday, the Belleville City Council unanimously approved requiring Civil Service retirees to pay the same premium cost share for health insurance as active employees pay.

That would be 20%.

Civil Service retirees had been given free health care until now.

But, this new rule covers no one, right now. It's for future retirements, such as the police chief, DPW director, and clerk/treasurer.

City Manager Diana Kollmeyer said all the city's union contracts call for employees to pay 20% cost share for their health care. Now, going forward, it will be for Civil Service retirees, as well, she said.

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## Correction: Councilman Blackburn served longer

In last week's editorial, we wrote that Belleville City Councilman Brian Blackburn served one term. He actually served what he refers to as a 1.5 term. He was elected to a two-year term in 2007 and a four-year term in 2009. We regret the error. -- Rosemary K. Otzman, editor

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- **Thursday, Nov. 7** – This is the last day to sign up for the Veteran's Day Luncheon and Salute to Our American Heroes on Friday, Nov. 8, at Van Buren Township September Days Senior Center. All are welcome. Lunch donation is \$2.25. Information, 699-8918.
- **Friday, Nov. 8** – Veteran's Day Luncheon

and Salute to Our American Heroes begins at 11:15 a.m. at the September Days Senior Center in Van Buren Township. Guest speaker is Randy Hotton. Jack Dalton will put on an American Patriotic Song Show.

• **Saturday, Nov. 9** – Van Buren Township Coffee with a Cop runs from 8 to 10 a.m. at Leo's Coney Island. Police officers will be there to talk with the public and Fire Chief Dan Besson will be there, too.

• **Saturday, Nov. 9** – A Euchre Tournament to benefit Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue will be held from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Fraternal Order of Eagles, 2935 Holmes Road, Ypsilanti. \$20 to play (cash only), includes pizza and soda. You do not have to bring a partner. Prizes for first and second places. Information: (734) 461-9458

• **Saturday, Nov. 9** – The 14<sup>th</sup>-annual That's Amore dinner and live auction to raise funds for cancer research will be at the Van Buren Eagles Lodge, 9961 Beck Rd., beginning at 5:30 p.m. Tickets in advance are \$20; \$25 at the door. (734) 657-0048

• **Saturday, Nov. 9** – A tribute party to honor Lee Targgart, owner of Ace Hardware in Sumpter Township, will run from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Sumpter Community Center. All those who know Lee are invited. Info: (734) 587-2925

• **Sunday, Nov. 10** – Free Country and Bluegrass music from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Van Buren Senior Center. Information: Hugh, 485-7241, or Lynette, 699-8918.

• **Wednesday, Nov. 13** – Serving starts at 5 p.m. (carry outs at 4:30) for the Willow United Methodist Church Chicken Supper. Adults, \$10; children 12 and under, \$5. At 36925 Willow Rd., New Boston, 734-654-9020.

• **Thursday, Nov. 14** – Theresa Moore will speak at 7 p.m. at the Belleville Area District Library on "Three Weeks in Valencia, Spain" as part of the Homegrown Knowledge Series. Free.

• **Saturday, Nov. 16** – The public is invited to McBride Middle School's third-annual BelleVelocity 5K run/walk from 9 a.m. to noon at the BHS track. Join in for a \$10 donation to McBride PTO. Lots of activities and food.

• **Sunday, Nov. 17** – Free Country and Bluegrass music from 2 to 5 p.m. at the Van Buren Senior Center. Information: Hugh, 485-7241, or Lynette, 699-8918.

• **Sunday, Nov. 17** – Bring your pug to SE Michigan Pug-N-Play at 2 p.m. at the Wayne County Fairgrounds, 10871 Quirk Rd. Off-leash playtime with other friendly pugs and pug owners. Free, but donations accepted.

## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

### ADVERTISEMENT FOR BIDS

#### BELLEVILLE ROAD FENCE REPLACEMENT VAN BUREN DOWNTOWN DEVELOPMENT AUTHORITY

Sealed proposals will be received for the Belleville Road Fence Replacement Project by the Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority as Owner, until 3:00 P.M. local time on November 14, 2013 at the Office of the Downtown Development Authority, Van Buren Township Municipal Building, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, Michigan 48111 at which time and place all bids will be publicly opened and read.

#### Description of Work

The work consists of removing and replacing an existing chain link fence with a vinyl screening fence within the Belleville Road Wayne County right-of-way. Tree removal and tree pruning will also be required.

The Project Area for the implementation roughly consists of the south and east sides of Belleville Road from Sunset Lane to Harmony Lane. The entire project area is located within Wayne County right-of-way in Van Buren Township.

Plans and Specifications may be examined at the Downtown Development Authority's Office, Van Buren Township Municipal Building, 46425 Tyler Road, Van Buren Township, Michigan 48111 on or after November 5, 2013

Each bidder agrees to and hereby does waive any claim it has or may have against the Owner, the Landscape Architect, Engineer and their respective employees; representatives and agents arising out of or in connection with the administration, evaluation, or recommendation of any bid.

Bidders shall review and comply with the instructions to bidders. Each bid proposal shall be submitted on the proposal forms provided. A 5% bid security for the total bid amount is required. No bid may be withdrawn after scheduled closing time for receiving bids for sixty (60) days. The Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority reserves the right to reject all bids, to waive irregularities in bidding and is not required to accept the low bid.

Each bidder shall submit with their bid, a list of three references, including the name, address and phone number of the contact person for each reference. Proposals submitted by Bidders who have been debarred, suspended, or made ineligible by any Federal Agency will be rejected.

The successful bidder will be required to furnish satisfactory Performance, Labor and Material, and Maintenance/Guarantee Bonds. The costs for these bonds shall be included in the bid amount.

No Proposal will be received unless made on bid forms furnished and delivered to the Downtown Development Authority Office on or before 3:00 p.m. local time November 14, 2013, which will be the time and location for the bid opening.

The Charter Township of Van Buren is an equal opportunity contractor which does not discriminate on the basis of sex, race, creed or a physical disability. All qualified contractors are urged to respond.

Ms. Susan Ireland, Executive Director  
Charter Township of Van Buren Downtown Development Authority

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**Ask Angela**  
By Angela Nettro

I am here to answer questions pertaining to buying or selling real estate. Send your questions to "Ask Angela," c/o *Belleville-Area Independent*, 152 Main Street, Suite 9, Belleville 48111 or send me an email at [nettroandco@comcast.net](mailto:nettroandco@comcast.net). I'll answer questions in this column.

**Question from Terry in Milan:** I just recently bought a home Up North and am listing my home for sale down here. I filed for the principal residence home exemption on my new home. Do I have to rescind my principal residence exemption on my current home here? And, when do I have to do it by?

**Answer:** Terry, if you have your home here listed with a Realtor and you do not have your home here rented or occupied by anyone, you can file a form with the Assessor's office. The form is called a Conditional Rescission of Principal Residence Exemption (PRE). You must file the form at your local Assessor's office in the city or township that the home listed for sale is.

You will also need to attach a copy of the Realtor MLS listing. You must do this by Dec. 31 in order to receive the Principal Residence Exemption for next year - 2014. You can continue this process each year for three years, by filing each year if your home for sale is still listed and has not sold.

This law was to help residents who bought another home in MICHIGAN and were in the process of selling their previous home. Per the requirements of this law, you are able to keep Homestead/Principal Residence Exemption on both homes.

-- Angela

Angela Nettro/Broker

Real Estate

(734) 697-6655

Email: [nettroandco@comcast.net](mailto:nettroandco@comcast.net)

## Upcoming Meetings

- Sunday, Nov. 10 – The public is invited to an open board meeting of the Van Buren Area Little League at 3 p.m. at the gymnasium of the Van Buren Township Hall, 46425 Tyler Rd.
- Monday, Nov. 11 – Van Buren Public Schools Board of Education, 7 p.m., BHS Commons
- Tuesday, Nov. 12 – VBT September Days Senior Center Endowment Committee, 11 a.m. Also, VBT LDFA, 2 p.m. Also, Sumpter Township workshop at 6 p.m., followed by regular meeting at 6:30 p.m. Also, Belleville Area District Library Board, 7 p.m. Also, VBT Board of Zoning Appeals, 7 p.m.
- Wednesday, Nov. 13 – Van Buren Township Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.
- Thursday, Nov. 14 – Keystone Academy school board, 6 p.m. Also, Belleville Planning Commission, 7:30 p.m.

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## HELP WANTED

## Van Buren Township Police Dispatch Log

*The following are selected calls for VBT Police.*

### **Sunday, Oct. 27:**

0024 – assault & battery, 48910 Denton Rd.  
0051 – assault & battery, 49021 S. I-94 Service Dr.  
0355 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 9421 Van Buren St.

0408 – personal injury accident, EB I-94/rest area  
0411 – property damage accident, S. I-94 Service Dr. / Rawsonville Rd.

0820 – breaking & entering, 8180 Marlowe Ave.  
1046 – property damage accident, Belleville / Ecorse

1257 – motorcycle patrol, Belleville/S. I-94 Service Dr.

1335 – assault & battery, 7483 Kirkridge Park Dr.  
1340 – private property accident, 45525 N. I-94 Service Dr.

1902 – property damage accident, Ecorse/Belleville

2336 – noise complaint, 4206 Westlake  
2346 – larceny from auto, 49029 Togowtee pass

### **Monday, Oct. 28:**

0052 – suicide or attempt, 10819 Oak Lane  
1103 – larceny, 10127 Wheeler St.

1226 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 41873 Ecorse Rd.

1353 – property damage accident, N. I-94 Service Dr. / Morton Taylor

1428 – fraud, 13175 Lake Point Blvd.

1527 – malicious destruction of property, 49585 W. Huron River Dr.

1557 – noise complaint, 11022 Oak Lane  
1803 – assault & battery, 11615 Meadows Ct.

1806 – suspicious person, 13658 Beacon Trl.  
1926 – sexual assault, 6663 Rogers Ave.

1948 – fireworks, 39 Maple Dr.  
2018 – private property accident, Hardwood Dr. / Prairie Ct.

2129 – property damage accident, Walmart

### **Tuesday, Oct. 29:**

0623 – larceny from auto, 41480 W. Archwood Dr.  
1057 – suspicious person, Rawsonville/Martz

1507 – juvenile complaint, J&B Car Wash/Rawsonville

1636 – juvenile complaint, Armstong's Fun Land  
1831 – noise complaint, 11601 Meadows Ct.

1943 – assault & battery, 6528 Outer Dr.

### **Wednesday, Oct. 30:**

0240 – larceny from auto, 48440 Denton Rd.  
0806 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 39810 Ecorse Rd.

0826 – breaking & entering, 43910 Robson Rd.  
0828 – assault & battery, 47097 McBride Ave.

0831 – larceny from auto, 9866 Wheeler St.  
1101 – personal injury accident, Ecorse/Marlowe

1248 – private property accident, 41133 Van Born  
1623 – larceny, 43 E. Spencer

1721 – larceny, Walmart  
1821 – missing person, 11875 Quirk Rd.

2115 – noise complaint, 48879 Laguna Dr.  
2137 – breaking & entering, 8266 Marlowe Ave.

### **Thursday, Oct. 31:**

0738 – holdup alarm, 6668 Anna Dr.  
0821 – property damage accident, 11000 Belleville

1224 – property damage accident, Haggerty/Riggs  
1406 – malicious destruction of property, 159 Aspen Lane

1447 – property damage accident, Belleville / Westlake

1615 – assault & battery, 42033 Lincoln St.  
1724 – property damage accident, Hannan/Tyler

1753 – property damage accident, Belle Square  
1816 – assault & battery, 6583 Shelley Dr.

2049 – retail fraud, 9701 Belleville, Meijer  
2056 – missing person, 279 Holly Lane

2236 – larceny, 10871 Quirk Rd.  
2257 – assault & battery, 10819 Oak Lane

2356 – noise complaint, 6512 Outer Dr.

### **Friday, Nov. 1:**

1041 – assault & battery, 13658 Pinewood Ln.  
0945 – intimidation threat, Southport

1500 – malicious destruction of property, 48651 S. I-94 Service Dr.

1512 – personal injury accident, Belleville Rd. / S. I-94 Service Dr.

1524 – trespassing, Westlake Circle/Belleville Rd.  
1714 – juvenile complaint, 46425 Tyler Rd.

1716 – domestic violence, 41658 Arthur St.  
1727 – retail fraud, 2095 Rawsonville, Kmart  
2104 – assault & battery, 41658 Arthur St.  
2119 – juvenile complaint, 15569 Elwell Rd.  
2125 – shots fired, 342 Ivy Dr.  
2215 – suspicious person, Bradley/Morton Taylor  
2241 – suspicious person, 6661 Senate St.  
2308 – noise complaint, 10702 Oak Lane  
2330 – assault & battery, 29345 S. I-94 Service Dr.

### **Saturday, Nov. 2:**

0214 – personal injury accident, Beck/Ecorse  
0812 – unauthorized driving away of auto, 10971 Oak Lane

1059 – malicious destruction of property, 11090 Lighthouse Dr.

1203 – larceny, 11010 Lighthouse Dr.  
1428 – property damage accident, Haggerty Rd. / E. Huron River Dr.

1440 – larceny, 44164 Robson Rd.  
1629 – disturbance, 11712 Belleville Rd.

1750 – fraud, Kmart  
1907 – property damage accident, 11000 Belleville

1909 – mental, 5922 Winchester St.  
1924 – suspicious situation, 312 Ivy Dr.

2018 – shots fired, Van Born/Morton Taylor  
2204 – suspicious situation, 44064 Robson Rd.

2354 – disturbance, 14580 Hoeft Rd.

Also on this week's log are 107 traffic stops, 44 of which were on the I-94 and I-275 freeways.

## Belleville Police Dispatch Log

### **Sunday, Oct. 27:**

0029 – agency assist, 48910 Denton  
0410 – agency assist, 43490 Arborview

0900 – alarm intrusion, 547 E. Thornhill Ct.  
2000 – assist fire dept., 275 W. Columbia Ct.,

Columbia Court  
2009 – traffic complaint, Belleville/Main

2110 – agency assist, Country Walk/Savage  
2253 – abandoned auto, Belle Plaza

### **Monday, Oct. 28:**

1221 – disorderly conduct, 562 Main St.  
1230 – larceny, 6 Main St.

1238 – disturbance, 35 South  
1459 – assist fire dept., 330 Harbour Pointe Dr.

1628 – bank drop, 6 Main St.

### **Tuesday, Oct. 29:**

0219 – suspicious vehicle, Belle Plaza  
0856 – assist fire dept., 111 Potter Dr.

0910 – assist fire dept., 2 San Carlos St.  
1141 – information, 6 Main St.

1223 – assist fire dept., 690 E. Huron River Dr.  
1404 – animal complaint, 17 Carmell St.

1411 – information, 6 Main St.  
1602 – hospice, 275 W. Columbia, Columbia Ct.

1812 – intimidation threat, 35 Carmell St.  
1929 – noise complaint, Harbour Pointe Dr. / Light

Tower  
2041 – assist fire dept., Columbia Court

2228 – miscellaneous complaint, 50 Clarence St.

### **Wednesday, Oct. 30:**

0116 – warrant arrest, 6 Main St.  
0248 – intrusion alarm, 573 Main St.

9742 – assist fire dept., 181 Church St.  
0954 – assist fire dept., 265 Main St.

1025 – assist fire dept., 327 Church St.  
1626 – background investigation, 6 Main St.

1713 – assist fire dept., 575 Sumpter Rd., Co-op  
1741 – suspicious person, 180 Church St.

1742 – parking complaint, 179 Clarence St.  
1823 – malicious destruction of property, Main /

Sumpter  
1919 – suspicious situation, 501 W. Columbia,

BHS  
2012 – domestic assault, 35 Carmell St.

2033 – assist fire dept., 494 W. Columbia Ave.  
2220 – domestic assault, 67 Main St.

### **Thursday, Oct. 31:**

0930 – malicious destruction of property, 38 Henry  
1119 – background investigation, 6 Main St.

1257 – vehicle lockout, 795 Sumpter Rd.  
1307 – information, 6 Main St.

1751 – civil matter, 6 Main St.  
1935 – suspicious vehicle, 581 E. Thornhill Ct.

### **Friday, Nov. 1:**

0112 – assist fire dept., 330 Harbour Pointe Dr.  
0744 – family trouble, 178 N. Liberty St.

0752 – assist fire dept., 275 W. Columbia Ave.,

Columbia Court  
0903 – follow up, 1 Daisy  
1049 – agency assist, 324 Oxford Ct.  
1144 – assist fire dept., 125 W. Columbia Ave.  
1217 – private property accident, Bayou Grill  
1350 – fraud, 6 Main St.  
1601 – property damage accident, Belleville Fire Hall  
1609 – welfare check, 5 Points  
2004 – suspicious vehicle, Owen/Sumpter  
2021 – miscellaneous complaint, Owen School  
2026 – domestic assault, 35 Carmell St.  
2337 – E-911 hang up, 112 Carmell

### **Saturday, Nov. 2:**

0554 – neighbor trouble, 102 Bedell St.  
0904 – assist fire dept., 239 W. Columbia Ave.  
1021 – intrusion alarm, 203 N. Aberdeen Ct.  
1123 – neighbor trouble, 104 Bedell St.  
1240 – ordinanace violation, W. Columbia/Main  
1318 – vehicle lockout, 496 Main St.  
1504 – neighbor trouble, 104 Bedell St.  
1741 – intrusion alarm, BHS  
1841 – suspicious situation, 144 Third St.  
1856 – assist fire dept., Columbia Court  
Also on this week's log were 34 traffic stops.

## Sumpter Township Police Dispatch Log

### **Sunday, Oct. 27:**

0018 – warrant arrest, Sumpter/Kozma  
0034 – fire dept. assist, 48000 bl. Willis Rd.  
0233 – warrant arrest, out of township  
1101 – disorderly person, 45000 bl. Arkona Rd.  
1149 – threats complaint, 22000 bl. Martinsville  
1220 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl.

Martinsville Rd.  
1425 – fire dept. assist, Nevada

1621 – 911 hangup, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

### **Monday, Oct. 28:**

0741 – fire dept. assist, Dakota  
0851 – animal complaint, 24000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
0913 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1503 – traffic hazard, Willow/Haggerty  
1727 – trespassing complaint, 19000 bl. Clark Rd.  
2040 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Elwell  
2049 – civil dispute, 19000 bl. Elwell Rd.

### **Tuesday, Oct. 29:**

0156 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter  
0541 – death investigation, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.  
0944 – suspicious person, 18000 bl. Savage Rd.  
1024 – assist other agency, 41000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1026 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1348 – citizen assist, 23000 lb. Sumpter Rd.  
1459 – warrant arrest, out of township  
1522 – shots fired, Carriage Lane  
1907 – family trouble, 19000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
2032 – 911 hangup, 18000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
2126 – disorderly person, 45000 bl. Harris Rd.

### **Wednesday, Oct. 30:**

0046 – warrant arrest, out of township  
0259 – follow-up investigation, 23000 bl. Sumpter  
0700 – suspicious vehicle, Willow/Sumpter  
0749 – fire dept. assist, Knollwood  
0755 – property damage accident, Sumpter/Kozma  
0833 – family trouble, 27000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
1136 – civil dispute, 17000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1204 – suspicious person, 19000 bl. Haggerty Rd.  
1308 – fire dept. assist, Dakota  
1350 – fire dept. assist, Birch  
1411 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1439 – assault, 6700 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.  
1528 – parking complaint, Bemis Rd.  
1735 – fire dept. assist, Rustic Lane  
1818 – suspicious incident, Pecan  
1846 – suspicious incident, 50000 bl. Willis Rd.  
2102 – juvenile complaint, 22000 bl. Martinsville

### **Thursday, Oct. 31:**

0140 – alarm, 8100 bl. Rawsonville Rd.  
0805 – malicious destruction of property, Rustic Lane

1032 – suspicious incident, 28000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1128 – follow-up investigation, 50000 bl. Willis  
1252 – follow-up investigation, 44000 bl. Wear  
1303 – follow-up investigation, 44000 bl. Wear  
1509 – animal complaint, Rawsonville/Willis  
1530 – traffic hazard, Sherwood/Arkona  
1632 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Elwell Rd.  
1709 – citizen assist, 23000 bl. Sumpter Rd.  
1902 – citizen assist, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.

2147 – fire dept. assist, California  
2200 – fire dept. assist, 51000 lb. Willis Rd.  
2230 – well-being check, Nevada

### **Friday, Nov. 1:**

0402 – death investigation, 45000 bl. Victoria  
0520 – fire dept. assist, Greenmeadow  
0613 – fire dept. assist, Colorado  
1047 – well-being check, 42000 bl. Willow Rd.  
1130 – 911 hang up, 45000 bl. Bemis Rd.  
1238 – animal complaint, 23000 bl. Sumpter  
1255 – suspicious incident, Rawsonville/Arkona  
1343 – animal complaint, 48000 bl. Arkona Rd.  
1439 – animal bite, 21000 bl. Karr Rd.  
1449 – 911 hang up, Sumpter/Arkona  
1613 – animal complaint, 21000 bl. Martinsville  
1701 – suspicious incident, 6700 bl. Oakville Waltz Rd.

1910 – civil dispute, 20000 bl. Sherwood Rd.  
1952 – follow-up investigation, Rawsonville/Willis

2120 – property damage accident, Willow / Haggerty

2209 – suspicious vehicle, 28000 bl. Haggerty  
2233 – juvenile complaint, 19000 bl. Sumpter

### **Saturday, Nov. 2:**

0241 – fire dept. assist, 25000 bl. Martinsville  
0618 – family trouble, Mulberry  
0747 – fire dept. assist, 21000 lb. Sumpter Rd.  
0917 – civil dispute, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.  
0920 – animal complaint, 40000 bl. Willis Rd.  
1331 – assault, 45000 bl. Judd Rd.  
1517 – suspicious vehicle, 44000 bl. Dunn Rd.  
1600 – fire dept. assist, 40000 bl. Willow Rd.  
1624 – shots fired, 23000 bl. Bohn Rd.  
2045 – shots fired, 44000 bl. Harris Rd.  
2310 – suspicious incident, 28000 bl. Sumpter Rd.

Also on this week's log are 25 miscellaneous details, 99 patrol checks, and 38 traffic stops.

## Birthdays

Nov. 6 – Mary Ann Bitner  
Nov. 9 – Bob Magnes  
Nov. 12 – Debbie Wisniewski  
Nov. 18 – Pat Veerkamp  
Nov. 24 – Lillian McArthur  
Nov. 27 -- Olivia and Ethan Wells

Do you have a birthday in November? Does anyone you know have a birthday soon? Call the *Independent* at 699-9020 and let us know. We'll list it in this column ASAP following your call. There is no charge.

## Welcome, Audrinna Ann Burnett



Jacqueline Smith and Josh Burnett announce the birth of their daughter Audrinna Ann Burnett on Sept. 19 at South Shore Hospital, Trenton. She weighed 7 pounds, 5 ounces and was 21 inches long. Grandparents are Judy Smith and Joy and Bruce Burnett.



# Sumpter Township Public Notice

## NOTICE OF PUBLIC HEARING ZONING BOARD OF APPEALS VARIANCE

Notice is hereby given that a Public Hearing will be held by the Sumpter Township Zoning Board of Appeals for the purpose of receiving statements and views on a proposed Variance for Benito's Pizza 51255 Willis, Belleville, MI 48111, 81-026-99-0006-000.

To relocate signs from wall to roof. Variance of Article 9 Section 9.2 (D) Signs.

The public hearing is scheduled for Thursday November 21, 2013 at 7:00 pm at the Sumpter Township Hall, 23480 Sumpter, Belleville, MI 48111.

Clarence J. Hoffman, Jr., Clerk

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## Charter Township of Van Buren Public Notice

### PUBLIC NOTICE

Van Buren Charter Township Board of Trustees

Request for Proposals from interested parties to sub-lease its youth baseball/softball fields at the Beck Road ball diamonds for the 2014 season.

Please complete the Form of Interest in the Recreation Department by or before 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, November 21, 2013.

Candidates will participate in a formal panel interview on Monday, November 25, 2013, beginning at 5:00 p.m.

Denton Room  
Van Buren Charter Township Hall  
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In accordance with the Americans with Disabilities Act, reasonable accommodations can be made with advance notice by calling the Clerk's Office 734.699.8909.

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## Minding Your Business with Bob Mytych



The Bayou Grill on Main Street is offering 25% off for veterans and their families next Monday and Tuesday, Nov. 11, 12. It's their way of thanking all service men and women -- past, present and future. Veterans' meals are free with \$50 or more in food purchase. Reservations are recommended. Call (734) 697-2300.

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Doug Dalton Auctioneer of Belleville will be holding his monthly Estate Antique Auction Friday, Nov. 8, at the Romulus Progressive Hall, beginning with previews at 4 p.m. A special auction at 5 p.m. will feature a large collection of hand carved duck decoys and vintage fishing rods, tackle boxes, and lures. To learn more, see his ad in today's paper and visit [www.dougdaltonauctioneer.com](http://www.dougdaltonauctioneer.com).

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Jazzercise of Belleville will be holding its Shop, Drop & Hop fundraiser for the food closet at First United Methodist Church in Belleville on Friday, Nov. 22, from 6 to 9 p.m. at the Van Buren Recreation Center. Vendors will be on hand selling holiday gifts and non-perishable donations will be accepted. The jazzercise exercise program will also take place throughout the day. Admission is a freewill cash donation to the Food Closet or a food item. For other info, call event coordinator Joyce Gant at (734) 697-8076 or email her at [speedgant@aol.com](mailto:speedgant@aol.com).

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Hidalgo Mexican Restaurant in the

Davenport Plaza now delivers on Thursday and Fridays, from 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. Minimum order is \$15. Call (734) 697-3271.

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The new Edible Arrangements store is now open for business on Belleville Road in the Murray's Plaza at Tyler Road. Owners Noor Qarana and Brian Mansoor are offering fresh fruit arrangements for all occasions along with one of the first franchised stores in the area to offer beverages, like fruit smoothies, lemonade, and fruit salads.

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The Friends of Michigan Animals Rescue is holding its Euchre Tournament this Saturday, Nov. 9, from 3 to 7 p.m. at the Fraternal Order of Eagles in Ypsilanti at 2935 Holmes Road. The cost is \$20 per person with early registration starting at 2 p.m. Prizes will be awarded to first and second-place winners. Call (734) 461-9458 for details. Proceed go the no-kill shelter in Sumpter.

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An Artists Show Holiday Sale will take place on Nov. 17, from 1 to 5 p.m. at the BYC at 831 Huron River Drive, the former location of the Belleville Moose. The event is free and there will be food and beverages available. Artisans will be selling items including basketry, handmade jewelry, beading, and other goods.

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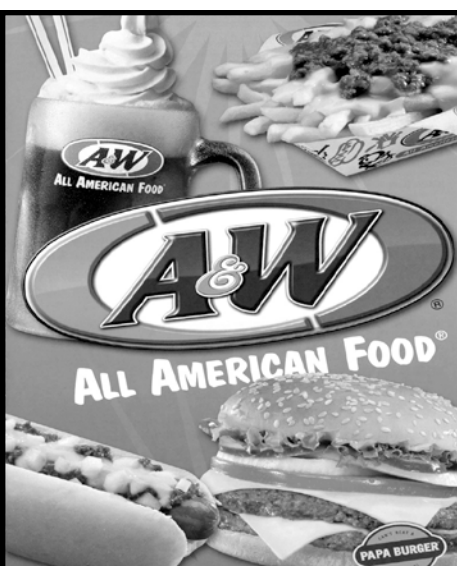
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